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ABRIDGMENT OF ELEMENTARY LAW. By M. E. Dunlap, counsellorat-law. Enlarged edition. St. Louis: The F. H. Thomas Law Book

Co. 1892. pp. 478.

This little volume contains brief abridgments of Blackstone's Commentaries; of Pleadings, including Parties to Action and Forms of Action; of the Law of Evidence, as stated in Greenleaf, to which are added many notes and illustrations from other text-books; of the Law of Contracts, as stated in the work of Parsons, and of Equity Jurisprudence, as stated in the work of Story. The last fifty pages of the book contain Suggestions to Students, a Glossary of Law Terms and Maxims, a Table of British Regnal Years, and a list of the Chief-Justices of the United States. Under the head of Suggestions to Students, the author has given careful selections from some of the leading English and American writers in the arena of legal science, with a view to giving the student some practical hints touching the best methods of acquiring a knowledge of the law and its practice.

"The chief design of this work is to give in the fewest pages the principles and definitions of law and equity, to furnish a review or note-book and *vade mecum* for law students and young practitioners." The work of the author is thoroughly done, and the book is a handy

and valuable one for the purpose for which it is intended.

REPORT OF THE FOURTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION. Dando Printing and Publishing Co.

Phila., 1891. pp. 478.

The Report of the Fourteenth Annual Meeting of the American Bar Association, held at Boston in August, 1891, contains, besides the usual minutes of the meeting, the address of the President, Mr. Simeon E. Baldwin, of Connecticut, on the most noteworthy changes during the past year in American statute law; the Annual Address, by Hon. Alfred Russell, of Michigan, on "Avoidable Causes of Delay and Uncertainty in our Courts;" a paper by Mr. Frederick N. Judson, of Missouri, on "Liberty of Contract under the Police Power;" a paper on "The Legal Status of the Indians," by Mr. William B. Hornblower of New York; and the Reports of the Committees on Jurisprudence and Law Reform, on Judicial Administration and Remedial Procedure; on Legal Education (an exhaustive discussion of present methods and results of legal education throughout the country); on the Award of Medal; on Uniform State Laws; on the Relief of the Supreme Court, and on Classification of the Law (appended to which is a table showing the proposed classification). A number of obituary notices follow, and the volume is closed with a list of the Bar Associations of the United States.